

## R. DAMIAN SOFFER BIOGRAPHY

R. Damian Soffer was educated both here and in Europe. He attended the University of Denver, the University of Grenoble in France, and received his MBA degree from the University of Pittsburgh. He spent 14 years in Europe in the Fine Arts business before returning to Pittsburgh to take over as President/CEO of the family real estate business. The Soffer Organization is one of the largest privately held office building developers in Pittsburgh, with properties also in North Carolina.

His current projects include:

- SouthSide Works – a 34-acre upscale mixed-use complex consisting of office, retail, entertainment, and riverfront development along the Monongahela River. Plans for this development include: 800,000 sq. ft. of office buildings, 500,000 sq. ft. of lifestyle entertainment, a hotel, residential lofts and flats, and a marina.
- Penn Center West Office Park expansion – a 90-acre development consisting of six office buildings with a new 150,000 sq. ft. office building. Buildings Six and Eight of the The Technology Park at Penn Center West were awarded the LEEDS rating for “green sustainable development” with state-of-the-art raised flooring to promote organizational flexibility and adaptability to facilitate change.

In addition to ongoing construction, the Soffer Organization owns, operates and manages approximately 2 million square feet of commercial property. Included in our portfolio of properties are Penn Center East in Wilkins Township - a mixed-use office, retail and residential community located at the threshold of Pittsburgh’s east suburban business district; Penn Center West - a 90-acre office complex located in the Pittsburgh Airport corridor; and Norwin Towne Square and Norwin Professional building located in Westmoreland County.

Mr. Soffer was awarded 1999 Developer of the year through NAIOP (National Association of Industrial and Office Properties) for the development of the Technology Park at Penn Center West. He also participates in the following organizations:

- Carnegie Museums Board of Trustees
- Carnegie Museum of Arts Board Member
- Andy Warhol Museum Board Member
- African American Cultural Center Board Member
- Pittsburgh Emergency Medicine Board Member
- PA Team Ambassadors
- Urban Land Institute
- NAIOP
- International Council of Shopping Centers
- Pittsburgh High Technology Council
- Cornerstones - Carnegie Mellon University center for architecture, development and building
- Riverlife Task Force Board Member